

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CRIMINAL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No.	CR 24-00665-SVW-1	Date	December 18, 2024
Title	United States v. David Rodriguez		

Present: The Honorable Steve Kim, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Connie Lee

n/a

Deputy Clerk

Court Reporter / Recorder

Attorneys Present for Government:

Attorneys Present for Defendant:

n/a

n/a

Proceedings: (IN CHAMBERS) **ORDER OF DETENTION**

The Court conducted a detention hearing on:

☒ The motion of the Government [18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(1)] in a case allegedly involving: a narcotics or controlled substance offense with maximum sentence of ten or more years.

☒ The motion of the Government or on the Court's own motion [18 U.S.C. § 3142(f)(2)] in a case allegedly involving: a serious risk that the defendant will flee.

☒ The Court concludes that the Government is entitled to a rebuttable presumption that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the defendant's appearance as required and the safety of any person or the community [18 U.S.C. § 3142(e)(3)].

☒ The Court finds that the defendant ☒ has ☐ has not rebutted the presumption under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e)(3) by sufficient evidence to the contrary, but still warrants detention after consideration of the presumption along with the other factors discussed below.

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The Court finds that no condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure:

☒ the appearance of the defendant as required (as proven by a preponderance of the evidence).

☒ the safety of any person or the community (as proven by clear and convincing evidence).

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The Court bases its findings (in addition to any made on the record at the hearing) on the following grounds:

As to risk of non-appearance:

- ☒ Two of the three proposed sureties would not be suitable, leaving only one without sufficient secured assets in light of the nature of charges and length of punishment if convicted
- ☐ Refusal to interview with Pretrial Services
- ☒ Nature of employment that is inconsistent with lifestyle and questionable given unexplained/undisclosed wealth, assets, cash, and properties.
- ☐ Previous failure to appear or violations of probation, parole, or release
- ☒ Significant travel to foreign countries
- ☒ Statutory presumption [18 U.S.C. § 3142(e)]
- ☒ Weight of the evidence, including nature and circumstances of offense conduct
- ☒ Length of potential incarceration if convicted (mandatory life)
- ☐ History of alcohol or substance abuse
- ☒ Lack of significant community or family ties to this district
- ☐ Lack of legal status in the United States
- ☐ Use of alias(es) or false documents
- ☐ Prior attempt(s) to evade law enforcement
- ☐ Subject to removal or deportation after serving any period of incarceration
- ☒ Reasons set forth in PTS Report adopted by Court
- ☒ Recommendation of PTS for detention

As to danger to the community:

- ☒ Nature of previous criminal convictions or prior criminal history
- ☒ Allegations in present charging documents taken at level of probable cause
- ☐ History of alcohol or substance abuse
- ☐ Already in custody on state or federal offense
- ☒ Statutory presumption [18 U.S.C. § 3142(e)]
- ☒ Unlawful use/possession of weapons

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- ☒ Participation in criminal activity shortly after release from prison and parole
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In reaching this decision, the Court considered: (a) the nature and circumstances of the offense(s) charged, including whether the offense is a crime of violence, a federal crime of terrorism, or involves a minor victim or a controlled substance, firearm, explosive, or destructive device; (b) the weight of evidence against the defendant; (c) the history and characteristics of the defendant; and (d) the nature and seriousness of the danger to any person or the community. [18 U.S.C. § 3142(g)] The Court also considered the evidence presented at the hearing, the arguments of counsel, and the report and recommendation of the U.S. Pretrial Services Agency.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the defendant be detained until trial. The defendant will be committed to the custody of the Attorney General for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. The defendant will be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with counsel. On order of a Court of the United States or on request of any attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is confined will deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding. [18 U.S.C. § 3142(i)]